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SUB: NEW CENSORSHIP POWERS FOR SAG

REF: CAPE TOWN 0180

1. THE DEFENSE AMENDMENT BILL, WHICH APASSED ITS THIRD
READING IN PARLIAMENT FEBRUARY 25, PROVIDES THE SAG
WITH EXTENSIVE NEW CENSORSHIP POWERS IN TIMES OF CIVIL
UNREST. SUCH AUTHORITY WAS PREVIOUSLY AVAILABLE TO SAG ONLY
IN TIME OF WAR. PERTINENT SECTION OF BILL READS QUOTE THE STATE
PRESIDENT MAY DURING OPERATIONS IN DEFENCE OF THE REPUBLIC
OR FOR THE PREVENTION OR SUPPRESSION OF TERRORISM OR FOR
THE PREVENTION OR SUPPRESSION OF

INTERNAL DISORDER IN THE REPUBLIC ESTABLISH AND DO
ALL THINGS MECESSARY TO ENFORCE A CENSORSHIP OVER ALL
OR ANY DESCRIPTION OF POSTAL, TELEGRAPHIC, TELEPHONIC
OR RADIO MATTER OR COMMUNICATIONS PASSING WITHIN,
INTO OR FROM THE REPUBLIC AND OVER ALL OR ANY
DESCRIPTION OF LETTERS, WRITTEN OR PRINTED MATTER,
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PARCELS,PICTURES,DRAWINGS,SKETCHES,PHOTOGRAPHS
OR GRAMOPHONE RECORDS(INCLUDING ANY ARTICLE
APPARATUS OR DEVICE UPON WHICH OR BY MEANS OF WHICH
INTELLIGENCE OR SOUNDS OF ANY KIND HAVE BEEN RECORDED
AND CAN BE REPORDUCED) ADDRESSED OR INTENDED TO BE
DELIVERED OT CONVEYED TO ANY PERSON, AND PRESCRIBE THE
CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE POSTAL,TELEGRAPH,

TELEPHONE OR RADIO SERVICES MAY BE USED UNQUOTE.

2. SAG DID ACCEPT UNITED PARTY AMENDMENT WHICH REQUIRES STATE
PRESIDENT TO ANNOUNCE WHEN THE CENSORSHIP IS TO BE
IMPOSED. PRP WAS ALONE IN OPPOSING THE BILL, WHILE
UP AND IUP VOTED WITH NATS IN SUPPORT OF IT.

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